



SHIPS TO STAY

Czar's Battleships Remain at Manila.

AN ULTIMATUM IS SENT

President Roosevelt Notifies Admiral Train of Washington Decision.

WAIT UNTIL AFTER THE WAR

Orders are in strict pursuance of the strict neutrality observed by this government and ships are not in a condition to leave the port.

Washington, June 5.—Secretary Taft today cabled Governor Wright at Manila to inform Admiral Enquist that, in strict pursuance of the international policy adopted by this government, he will be allowed to intern his ships, the Aurora, Oleg and Jemtechug, at Manila. In case he does not adopt this course, his only alternative, after the period allowed by international law has expired, will be to put to sea.

It is fully expected here that Admiral Enquist will decide to intern his ships, and orders have been issued for Admiral Train to take charge of the details of internment, if the Russian government decides to follow this policy.

The president's decision regarding the disposition of the Russian vessels at Manila, that they shall intern or put to sea, is, it is said here, in accordance with the best naval opinion, and is in pursuance of the policy of strict neutrality followed by the Washington government from the beginning of the war. It was specifically declared that there was no intention to show the slightest favoritism in the matter, and everything possible will be done for the comfort of the wounded Russians. The ships when interned will, of course, be allowed to be put in habitable condition and such repairs as are necessary to keep them afloat will be allowed.

The decision of the president was announced after conferences with Secretaries Morton and Taft. As soon as Secretary Taft returned to the war department, he made public the substance of his instructions to Governor Wright, who is the medium of communication between the Washington government and Admiral Enquist. Rear-Admiral Converse, chief of the bureau of navigation, personally took charge of the preparation of instructions to Rear-Admiral Train, who is to be in supreme charge of the details of internment, this being the practice followed when the Lena put into port at San Francisco, and was interned under the direction of the commandant of the Mare Island Navy Yard. It is expected that Admiral Enquist will forthwith decide to intern, in view of the bad condition of his vessels.

So far as can be learned the Japanese government has shown no concern regarding the course of action to be taken by this government. Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, said today: "We have every confidence that the policy to be followed will be in strict accord with the neutrality so carefully maintained by the Washington government."

CHINESE RETALIATION.

Will Withdraw Contracts From American Development Companies. New York, June 5.—A dispatch to the Herald from Berlin asserts on what is claimed as "the highest authority," that an intrigue is being actively worked in China, backed by powerful Chinese officials, the object of which is to withdraw forcibly or otherwise, the concessions to the American-China Development Com-

pany, in which New York and Belgian financiers are interested, for building all the important railroads between Hankow and Canton.

The withdrawal of the concession is intended, the correspondent declares, to be the first strong step towards closing the "open door."

Reports of a similar nature were circulated last January when it was said the Chinese government threatened to annul the franchise because the American syndicate had sold a controlling interest to Europeans.

FOREIGN VISITORS.

New York Hotels Crowded With Visitors From Foreign Countries. New York, June 5.—Hotel keepers of this city report that never in their experience has there been such an influx of foreign visitors to the metropolis. Curious examination shows that there is hardly a hotel lobby where one may not hear several foreign languages nor a visitor which bears names of less than four or five nations.

While this is the season of the annual visits of the business men from South America and the West Indies, hotel managers say their coming does not account for the unusual state of affairs, a feature of which is the large number of Frenchmen. The people of France have not been given much in the past to traveling in Anglo-Saxon countries, but this tradition seems to be breaking down and the era of cordiality between France and England appears to have a reflex effect here. Whatever the cause, the French language is more frequently heard in New York hotel lobbies than ever before.

DR. LANE ELECTED

Democratic Candidate for Mayor in Portland Elected.

LANE'S MAJORITY ABOUT 2000

Returns Coming in Very Slow and Will Take All Night to Complete the Count but Mayor Williams Concedes the Election of Lane as Mayor.

Portland, June 4.—Election returns are coming in very slow and will probably take all night to count. Sufficient votes have been counted to assure the election of Lane, democrat, over Williams, republican, by about 2,000 majority.

Eleven precincts complete; Lane 808, Williams, 838.

Stated at republican headquarters that out of 4,500 votes counted Lane leads by 200.

With about three fourths of the votes counted, incomplete returns, 55 precincts out of 58 give Lane 5,550, Williams, 4,859.

Portland, 1.30 A. M.—Mayor Williams concedes the election of Lane, democrat, as mayor of Portland.

SQUADRON WITHDRAWN.

Orders for the Fourth Russian Squadron to Return Home.

Hamburg, June 4.—News reached here from Libau that the German seamen employed there for service with the fourth Russian squadron, which it was intended to send to the far east, has received orders to return home as the contract has been cancelled by recent events. This is considered proof that Russia has definitely abandoned further efforts to wrest the sea power from Japan.

ROJESTVENSKY IMPROVING.

Russian Admiral Improving in the Japanese Hospital.

Tokio, June 5.—Sasebo, of the naval hospital, reported that Admiral Rojestvensky's conditions are favorable. Pulse and temperature continue normal. No signs of brain complications. On the inside of the right thigh there is a large bruise as large as half a hand and also a pierced wound in the left foot. No signs of pus.

TALK OF PEACE

Indemnity is Important Question.

NOTHING DEFINITE YET

Roosevelt's Proposition Has Not Been Submitted to Russian Emperor.

ALL COUNTRIES INTERESTED

President and Japanese Minister Have Another Conference at White House but unable to Consider Question Until Russia is Heard From.

Washington, June 4.—Peace in the far east was the subject of another conference at the White House between President Roosevelt and Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister. This was the third conference of the day which the president had on the subject. Jusserin, the French ambassador, and Mr. Obiera, the British charge de affairs, having been callers at the White House this morning. Takahira called at the White House shortly after 9 o'clock tonight. Thus far the minister has not been able to tell the president except in the most general and unofficial way what Japan is likely to demand of Russia when the latter can be brought to discuss peace. Even the minister himself has no idea of what Japan's indemnity will amount to.

President Roosevelt was unable to give Takahira and intimation of how Russia viewed the annihilation of her fleet and until Count Cassini's report on his visit to the White House has been received by St. Petersburg, no further progress toward peace can be made in that direction. In the meantime, with the assistance of Takahira, the president is acquainting himself on the subject of peace. It is realized by the Washington government that the Mikado has a formidable war party to cope with and this is one reason why it is difficult for Tokio to give Washington definite information about what terms would be in the light of Togo's latest victory.

Regarding the general situation it can be announced that Europe regards President Roosevelt as the most available medium for the preliminary communications between St. Petersburg and Tokio, and Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, and Takahira are both convinced of the president's sincerity and friendliness to both belligerents in his conference regarding the ending of the war.

DIVERS' NARROW ESCAPE.

Was Imprisoned Under the Water for Twenty-four Hours.

Chicago, June 5.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Canton, Mo., says:

After being imprisoned for twenty-four hours, loaded down by a divers' armor and under 15 feet of water, Daniel Hayes has been brought to the surface in an unconscious and almost dying condition. He is a professional diver and has been employed to remove the brush and debris from the immense pipe which serves at times of low water to drain Lima lake and transfer its surplusage to the Mississippi river.

While at work Hayes was sucked under the pile of refuse and over against a boulder in a way which prevented him from loosening himself from the tangled hose which held him down.

In signalling the men in charge of the air pump he could not let them know his location, as the air hose being wrapped around the rock, caused deceptive bubbles to come to the surface.

Mayor Meigs, engineer in charge of the river improvements, scoured the country for a diver to go in search of Hayes, but

was unable to find one until nearly 24 hours had elapsed.

When, after an hour's hard labor, the imprisoned diver was released, his suit was found to be leaking, and he would have been drowned had the ordeal lasted another half hour.

The experience he passed through made him ten years older than when he disappeared from view.

RATHER BE PRISONERS.

Russians Captured at Naval Battle Don't Want to Return Home.

London, June 5.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times says five Russian naval officers captured or rescued after the battle of the Sea of Japan prefer to remain in Japan as prisoners.

The correspondent says that the cruiser Varieg, sunk by the Japanese off Chemulpo at the beginning of the war, has been refloated.

Revolution Quelled.

New York, June 5.—Revolution in Santiago del Estro has been completely quelled, cables the Buenos Ayres, Argentine, correspondent of the Herald, Governor Santillan, who was a prisoner, has been liberated by the Provincial forces. Governor Santillan wires to President Quintana telling the details of his capture and liberation.

He says that when government forces approached the revolutionists they put him in front of their line. The federal government will be interpolated in the chamber for the alleged complicity of high federal officials.

TRIED FOR MURDER

Mrs Aggie Meyers on Trial for Murder in Kansas City.

ACCOMPLICE WAS CONVICTED

Claimed That Mrs. Meyers Assisted in Killing Her Husband Because She Became Infatuated With Frank Hottman Who Assisted in the Murder.

Kansas City, Mo., June 5.—The trial of Mrs. Aggie Meyers, charged with complicity in the murder of her husband, Clarence Meyers, a pressman, at their home in this city, in May, 1904, was called today at Liberty, Mo., having been taken to Clay county on a change of venue.

Frank Hottman, who it is charged, was Mrs. Meyers' confederate in the murder, who was tried, convicted, and sentenced to be hanged, for the crime, will be a witness for the state against Mrs. Meyers. Mrs. Meyers will be a witness in her own defense.

The defense will try to prove that there was no motive for Mrs. Meyers killing her husband. The state will try to prove that Hottman and Mrs. Meyers were infatuated with each other and that they killed Meyers so that they might marry. Mrs. Meyers still adheres to her original story that her husband was killed by negro burglars. The murder was most atrocious, Meyers' body being hacked in a horrible manner. Hottman was arrested at Butte, Mont., where he had fled.

TRAFFIC PARALYZED.

Miles of Track of the Rio Grand Washed Out By Floods.

Telluride, Colo., June 5.—Traffic on the Rio Grande Southern Railway between Rico and Durango is paralyzed. It is reported that 28 miles of track have been washed out by the Dolores river, near Dolores station. Two or three bridges have also been carried away. The running time of trains between Rico and Durango has been annulled indefinitely. All the wreck trains at the command of the road are at the scene of the washout. It is not known how long it will require to make repairs, but it will probably be two weeks. No tickets are being sold for transportation between these cities.

MUST PAY TAX

Franchise Tax Law is Sustained.

NEW YORK DECISION

Supreme Court Holds That the Rich Corporations Must Pay Their Taxes.

AMOUNTS TO MANY MILLIONS

The Cases Involved the Right to Tax Franchises, the Law Having Been Passed When President Roosevelt was Governor of New York and is Constitutional.

Washington, June 5.—The Federal supreme court today sustained the constitutionality of the New York Franchise Tax Law, affirming the decision of the lower courts.

The case involved the right of the state of New York to tax franchises of the public service corporations the same as real estate. The law was passed in 1899, as a result of strong recommendations made to the Legislature by the then Governor Roosevelt.

Justice Brewer made the announcement of the court today, but no opinion was read. He simply stated that the decision affected the validity of the New York Special Franchise Tax law, and that the decision of the court below was affirmed: The case in question, number seven, being those of the Metropolitan Street Railway, the Twenty-third Street Railway, the Central Crosstown line, the New Amsterdam Gas Company, the Brooklyn City Railway Company, the Coney Island and Brooklyn Company and the Consolidated Gas Company.

Ex-Secretary of War Root was the attorney who made the fight against the validity of the law in the supreme court. Attorney General Mayer, of New York, defended the state before the court, and today's decision gives him a complete victory.

The effect of the decision of the federal supreme court, affirming the constitutionality of the Franchise Tax law, passed by the legislature when President Roosevelt was governor, means added millions to the state treasury. Republican leaders will also be relieved of the duty of devising new methods of taxation to meet the growing expenditures of administration, as it is believed that more than sufficient revenue will hereafter be collected.

The law imposes a tax upon the franchises of corporations doing business in this state. There are already more than \$12,000,000 due in back taxes, which the corporations assessed have refused to pay pending the legal fight as to the constitutionality of the law. Mr. Roosevelt suggested the scheme, and it was under his leadership that it was passed by the legislature. It is a new departure in state legislation, and it is expected that other states will follow the lead of New York.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Annual Convention of the Society Held At Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., June 5.—The city is rapidly filling with delegates and visitors to the first national meeting of the Order of Knights of Columbus, which assembles in this city the coming week. Sixteen hundred visiting Knights and their friends have already arrived.

The New York City delegation of 250 and the Buffalo party of 150 on two special trains are expected to reach here today. The large delegations from Cleveland and St. Louis are also expected today.

The first business meeting of the order

will be held Tuesday. The convention will last one week. The election of national officers is the chief work before the order at the meeting this week. The remainder of the time will be given over to receptions, banquets and exemplification of the work of the order.

REIGN OF CORTES.

Many Ancient Relics Found in Excavations in Mexico.

Mexico City, June 5.—Laborers excavating trenches for the underground cable system of the telephone company near Cinco de Mayo street have struck a number of clay utensils, concrete foundations of temples and pottery covered with hieroglyphics, also Spanish coins whose dates are undecipherable but which mingling with the pottery, induces the supposition that the antiquities found appertain to periods of the conquest when Cortez raised every building in the Aztec capital.

Professor Batres is eager to obtain government permission to excavate below the present find for older remains.

AMERICAN AMBASSADOR.

Whitelaw Reid Accorded a Grand Reception in London.

London, June 5.—The London newspapers this morning extend the warmest welcome to Whitelaw Reid, the new American ambassador. The Morning Post, in an editorial, expresses the opinion that Anglo American relations are nearing the stage when they can and should find expression in terms of politics.

MORE TO WALK OUT

Prospects for Arbitration in Chicago Strike Not Good.

BOTH SIDES AGGRESSIVE

If Satisfactory Settlement Is Not Reached this Week There Will be About 20,000 More Men Walk Out and Great Damage to Business is Inevitable.

Chicago, June 5.—Developments of the utmost significance in the teamsters' strike hangs on to the outcome of arbitration negotiations between the team owners and the teamsters within the next few days. Both sides are in an aggressive mood, and failure to reach an agreement, it is predicted, will force a walkout of 10,000 more teamsters and bring idleness to thousands of workmen in other crafts.

If the members of the Chicago Team Owners' Association force the issue with their drivers similar action on the part of other teaming organizations, it is said, is practically certain.

If the teamsters agree to arbitrate the question of the right of the team owners to make deliveries to strike-bound houses the decision, it is conceded, will be in favor of the teamowners, whose contract with the drivers provides that at all times they shall further the interests of their employers. With the team owners making deliveries to all concerns involved in the struggle, the strike, it is asserted, will lose its force at once.

The Truck Drivers' Union, with which the team owners have a contract, will meet tomorrow night and vote on the arbitration question.

The Commission Team Owners' Association which has taken action similar to that of the Team Owners' Association, has confined the arbitration question to the right of its members to take produce from the express cars and deliver it to the various markets. The commission Wagon Drivers' Union will vote on the arbitration question tomorrow night.

Apache is Sighted.

London, June 5.—The bark-rigged yacht Apache, (owned by Edmund Randolph, New York Yacht Club) and the last contestant in the Kaiser cup transatlantic race, was sighted 15 miles west of the Lizard at 8:20 o'clock this morning.